

Attorney's Docket No. 498-177

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

TYPE OF DECLARATION

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 Original
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INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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the specification of which: (complete (a), (b) or (c))

(a) is attached hereto.

(b) was filed on May 20, 1999 as
 Serial No. 60/135,031 or
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and was amended on _____. (If applicable)

(c) was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above, and that the filing of said specification, if heretofore filed, was authorized by me.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed:

(List prior foreign/PCT application(s) filed within 12 months (6 months for design) prior to this U.S. application.)

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COUNTRY (orPCT)	APPLICATION NO.	DATE OF FILING (Day/Month/Year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 USC §119
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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PROVISIONAL APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE (Day/Month/Year)
60/135,031	May 20, 1999

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U.S. APPLICATIONS

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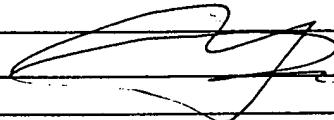
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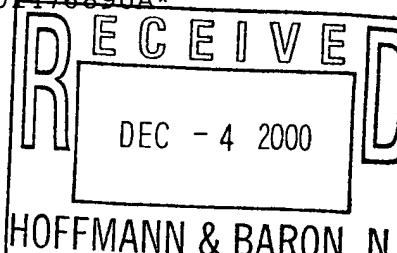
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DOC DATE: 06/27/2000

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DOC DATE: 08/28/2000

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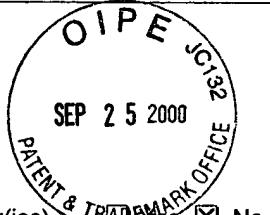
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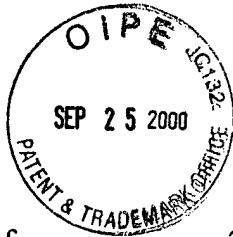
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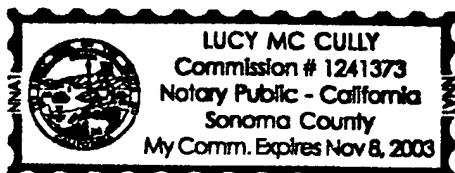


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